

Town of Amenia
Business Workshop Meeting
Thursday, May 10, 2012
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Flood called for Motion at 7:00PM.

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer to open Business Workshop Meeting.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

Salute to the flag was conducted with moment of silence for veterans at home, abroad and lost.

Emergency Exits behind the Town Clerk and at the rear of the room behind the audience at the door entered.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sharon Kroeger addressed public meeting held on April 18, 2012 at the Wassaic Firehouse by WSP Sells, design contractor for the Wassaic Trail to the Train project. Ms. Kroger submitted letter of petition by residents, emphasizing that stamped concrete block platforms would break with the natural continuity of the railroad, adding distraction and cost to the project; including the "Gateway to Trail" in front of Maxon Mills.

Letter of Petition to become part of minutes filed in Town Clerk's office.

Kevin Cassone requested clarification of monies allotted for Wassaic Rail to Train project. Town Board members explained plans and expenditures proposed this project.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway

No Report

Water

Marco D'Antonio submitted monthly water report. Contract for water tank inspection has been signed.

Town Clerk

Maureen Bonds reported Draft Town Board Minutes submitted on May 7, 2012.

MOTION by Councilwoman Riemer, SECOND by Councilman Hoss to ACCEPT Minutes of Special Meeting on April 12, 2012, Business Workshop Meeting on April 16, 2012, and Regular Meeting on April 19, 2012.

Town Board Minutes (cont'd)

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Building

Supervisor Flood reported monthly Building/Zoning activity in the amount of \$2810.00

COMMITTEES

Recreation

Frankie O'Connell announced that Summer Camp Program will begin on June 25, 2012. Fee schedule must be set by town board for basketball and soccer programs. Recreation thanked Tom Downey for his donation of bench at Beekman Park. Proposed Shared Services with Dover.

Councilman Hoss reported that Shannon Perez runs an adult soccer program in Dover on Sundays from 9am to 6pm, and has an interest in running same program at Wassaic Park. Councilman Hoss stated that fee would have to be set by town board.

MOTION by Councilman Hoss, **SECOND** by Councilwoman Riemer to **AUTHORIZE** Supervisor Flood to negotiate a contract with Shannon Perez and husband for use of **Wassaic Park** from May thru October 2012 on Sundays from 9am to 6pm for **Adult Soccer Program**.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Historian

Arlene Iuliano reported that grants are availability to municipalities for historic roadside markers. Applications are due by July 2, 2012. Historical Society will work with Michael Hagerty, Grantwriter, to present ideas for possible grant application.

Grants

Michael Hagerty submitted updated grant report.
Conference call will be scheduled to discuss **NYSERDA grant**.
Public Informational Meeting to be scheduled for **Main Street grant**.
All Hazards Mitigation grant – Forms need to be completed to document work done by Highway Department.

NYSERDA Grant

Supervisor Flood presented three bids for the repair of handicap ramp and framing of ceiling scuttle holes to attic. Stairs installation will be bid at a later date.

Bids received from **SMW Contracting, Hudson Valley Builders, and ADA East, Inc.**

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, **SECOND** by Councilwoman Perotti to **ACCEPT** low bid from **SMW Contracting** in the amount of **\$2700** for repair of handicap ramp and installation of ceiling scuttles.

ROLL:	Supervisor Flood	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	No
	Councilman Hoss	No

MOTION CARRIED 3 AYES 2 NO

Website Design Proposal and Discussion

MOTION by Councilwoman Riemer, **SECOND** by Supervisor Flood to **ACCEPT** Municipal Website Design proposal from **BAS, Inc.** in the amount of **\$8100**, which includes two years of maintenance and support.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #29 OF 2012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA TO TRANSFER FUNDS TO RECONCILE BUDGET LINES.

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the authority to transfer funds when necessary and unanticipated to amend the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Town Budget Line 2770.01 (Unclassified Revenues) requires an increase of \$207.93 from the DC Arts Council Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Town Budget Line 73104.1.00 (Youth Programs) requires an increase of \$207.93 to reconcile the payments to Wassaic Project; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board authorized the increase of \$207.93 to said Lines to process the reimbursement transaction.

Motion by Councilwoman Perotti, Second by Councilwoman Doyle that was;
ADOPTED – VOTE

ROLL:	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

DISCUSSION

Cash Disbursements Audit for Town Clerks office: Sedore & Company proposal in the amount of \$2200.
Town Clerks office now able to access accounts on line with Bank of Millbrook. **Proposal deferred.**

Workplace Violence Prevention Program to be included in Amenia Employee Handbook.

Refurbishing Amenia highway trucks.

Rail Trail maintenance responsibilities – Amenia/Millerton.

Kiosk for Amenia local businesses.

Group Home request from Taconic DDSO.

MOTION by Supervisor Flood, **SECOND** by Councilwoman Perotti to **AMEND** Contract awarded to **O&D Electric Corp.** on April 19, 2012 from \$1380. to **\$1150.**

ROLL:	Councilman Hoss	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Flood	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Michael Kelsey, DC Legislator conveyed his best wishes to Maureen and Gary Bonds in their retirement.

Records documents will be moved from Central Services to the County Clerk's Department.

Local Law proposed for exemptions to property owners with disabilities.

Proposed rent caps for senior citizens.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Amenia Sand & Gravel, per compliance by DEC, will donate \$10,000 toward erosion control on Cascade Road.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Councilwoman Riemer reported dangerous intersection at bottom of Flint Hill and Smithfield Valley Road. Suggested that letter be written on behalf of the town to the county for replacement of signage.

Councilwoman Doyle announced local events.

Councilman Hoss, with town board members discussed procedures for Town Clerk appointment and duties. Town Clerk stated that Deputy Town Clerk must notify Dutchess County Board of Elections by letter, of Town Clerk vacancy effective July 2, 2012.

Councilwoman Doyle recommended preparation of upstairs classroom for Amenia Dance Program.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charlotte Murphy is in favor of sign for Rail Trail.

MOTION by Councilman Hoss, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle to enter **Executive Session** to discuss personnel issues at 9:28pm, with motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Supervisor Flood, SECOND by Councilman Hoss to ADJOURN **Executive Session** and return to **Business Workshop Meeting** at 10:20pm, with motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Supervisor Flood, SECOND by Councilman Hoss to ADJOURN **Business Workshop Meeting** at 10:21pm, with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Maureen Bonds".

Maureen Bonds
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: June 11, 2012

Approved by Town Board: June 23, 2012 Motion 4 Ayes 1 Absention/Supervisor Flood